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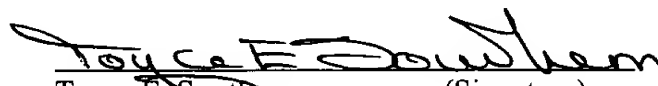
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AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

Sir:

This Amendment and Remarks is filed in response to the Office Action mailed September 5, 2001. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for securely storing data for an owner, comprising:
- storing the data for the owner consisting at least in part of information relating to the owner's estate by entering the data on a virtual wallet application for the owner, the virtual wallet application residing at least in part on a server of a trusted third party and having a virtual executor function;
 - automatically assigning a primary aspect of a secret access device for the virtual wallet application to the owner by the virtual wallet application for accessing the stored data;
 - automatically escrowing a secondary aspect of the secret access device for the virtual wallet application by the virtual executor function conditioned on the